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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR EXPORT LICENSE--H.E. SHAYKH ABDULLA BIN KHALIFA AL-THANI

- 1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO INTERVENE AND HOPEFULLY SPEED UP PROCESSING OF EXPORT LICENSE FOR LIGHTING AND NIGHT OBSERVATION DEVICES. EQUIPMENT IS TO BE PURCHASED FROM VARO CO., OF P.O. BOX 401267, GARLAND, TEXAS 75040. ULTIMATE CONSIGNEE IS HIS HIGHNESS, SHAYKH ABDULLA BIN KHALIFA AL-THANI, THROUGH QATAR INTERNATIONAL TRADING INDUSTRIAL CO. (QITICO). GENERAL MANAGER OF QITICO, MR. GEORGE YOUSEF, INFORMED EMBASSY THAT VARO REPRESENTATIVE IN U.S. WAS TOLD BY MR. JOHN STANFORD OF DEPT. MUNITIONS CONTROL SECTION THAT PROCESSING OF LICENSE WOULD REQUIRE AT LEAST TWO MONTHS.
- 2. MR. YOUSEF REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY FURTHER IDENTIFY SHAYKH ABDULLA BIN KHALIFA AL-THANI TO MUNTIONS CONTROL SECTION IN HOPE OF SPEEDING UP PROCESSING. FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY INFORMATION ON SHAYKH ABDULLA: SHAYKH ABDULLA IS THIRD SON OF RULER OF QATAR AND IS BEING GROOMED TO BE COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF QATARI ARMED FORCES. HE IS CURRENTLY OFFICER IN QATAR ARMY AND ACTS AS COMMANDER IN CHIEF IN ABSENCE OF HIS ELDEST BROTHER, SHAYKH HAMAD UNCLASSIFIED

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BIN KHALIFA AL-THANI. HE RECEIVED MILITARY TRAINING AT SANDHURST AND IS SEEKING POSITION IN 1979 CLASS AT U.S. COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF COLLEGE. YOUNG AND PERSONABLE AND HAS GOOD COMMAND OF IDIOMATIC ENGLISH. ARRANGES AND ACTS AS RECEIVING OFFICER FOR AUXILIARY MILITARY EQUIPMENT (I.E., EQUIPMENT OTHER THAN WEAPONS) FOR QATARI ARMED FORCES.

3. EMBASSY	RECOMMENDS	EXPEDITIOUS	HANDLING	OF LICENSE	REQUEST.
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